Clearance to Food Processing Projects

†2116. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of projects approved by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries during the year 2001; and

(b) the amount allocated for implementation of the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (PROF. CHAMAN LAL GUPTA): (a) and (b) The number of projects approved for financial assistance during the period April 2001 to March 2002 is 110, apart from other promotional activities for which assistance has been extended. An amount of Rs. 4193.41 Lakhs has so far been sanctioned for these projects.

Export of Processed Foods

2117. SHRI MAN MOHAN SAMAL: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have assessed various food articles that could be processed for export;

(b) if so, the details of such articles, state-wise;

(c) what are the details of various marine-based food processing articles/ industries set up in India, State-wise;

(d) which countries are importing processed food articles from India; and

(e) the details of foreign exchanges earned therefrom, country-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (PROF. CHAMAN LAL GUPTA): (a) and (b) The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority has undertakn studies to assess the export potential of some food products; the products studied include poultry products from Andhra Pradesh, agro products from North Eastern States, mushrooms, frozen food, alcoholic beverages, Indian rice, ethnic food and honey in general.

(c) The state wise marine based industrial set up such as manufacturer/ merchant exporters freezing plants, fishing trawlers, cold storages, peeling sheds,ice plants etc. in India as on 1st January 2002 are as follows:—

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

State	No. of Industrial set ups, state wise
Kerala	5263
Tamil Nadu	2541
Karnataka	3515
Andhra Pradesh	1185
Goa	358
Gujarat	1773
Orissa	580
Maharashtra	3366
West Bengal	220
Delhi	78

(d) and (e) The value of export of processed food items comprising of processed fruits and vegetables and other processed food items such as jaggery and confectionary, cocoa products, cereal preparations, alcoholic beverages, animal products, rice, walnuts, milled products and marine products was Rs. 14277.0 crores during 2000-01. The country wise details of exports are available in the Foreign Trade Statistics of India Monthly, Annual Bulletins published by Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence & Statics (DGCI & S) Kolkata, copies of which are kept in the Parliament Library.

Export of Dairy Products

2118. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is the largest producer as well as consumer of milk in the world;

(b) if so, the figure of milk production and consumption during the last three years;

(c) the prospects of export of dairy products in the world market; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?